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U.S. DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

JAN 23 2006

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JERRY MACK DORROUGH

: Civil Action No. PJM-06-0053

Petitioner

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v.

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UNITED STATES PAROLE COMM'N

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Respondent

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MEMORANDUM

Pending is a pro se 28 U.S.C. § 2241 Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus<sup>1</sup> filed on April 11, 2006, by Jerry Mack Dorrough, a prisoner confined in the Smith County Jail in Tyler, Texas.<sup>2</sup> Petitioner challenges his confinement pending revocation of his parole.<sup>3</sup>

Courts may grant a writ of habeas corpus "within their respective jurisdictions." 28 U.S.C. § 2241(a). This means that in a § 2241 action, the petition must be filed in the district court of the district where petitioner is in custody. See Braden v. 30th Judicial Circuit, 410 U.S. 484, 495-500

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<sup>1</sup> Petitioner has also filed for leave to proceed in forma pauperis. (Paper No. 2). The Court will not rule on this motion, so that the transferee court may examine and rule on it in accordance with that court's local practice.

<sup>2</sup> It does not appear that Petitioner was convicted of any offenses before this Court. In 1963, Jerry Mack Dorrough pleaded guilty to robbery of a postal employee and putting the life of a postal employee in jeopardy during a robbery in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2114. After his release on parole in November of 1978, he fled and eluded authorities until his arrest in May of 1999. See U.S. v. Dorrough 101 Fed. Appx. 974, 975 (5th Cir. 2004) (unpublished). It appears that Petitioner has completed his term of incarceration but remains under the supervision of the United States Parole Commission.

<sup>3</sup> Petitioner, a self-described "68-year-old veteran" is a pro se litigant, and this court has endeavored to accord his petition liberal construction. See Haines v. Kerner 404 U.S. 519, 520 (1972). This lengthy, prolix pleading is, however, difficult to discern.

(1973). In this case, Petitioner is in the custody of the Warden at the Smith County Jail in Tyler, Texas. That facility is located within the jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas. Accordingly, this matter will be transferred to that court for all proceedings that may be appropriate. A separate order follows.

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DATE

/s/  
PETER J. MESSITTE  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

I hereby attest and certify on 01/19/2006  
that the foregoing document is a full, true and correct  
copy of the original on file in my office and in my  
legal custody  
FELICIA G. CANNON  
CLERK, U. S. DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

By C. Mulqueen Deputy